AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the Sequence Listing submitted with the application on March 5, 2002, with the enclosed substitute Sequence Listing and place the enclosed computer readable form of the Substitute sequence Listing into the file.

Please replace paragraph 110 with the following paragraph:

[0110] Figure 1 represents the alignment of ABCC11 (SEQ ID NO:47), ABCC12 (long isoform; SEQ ID NO:33), and ABCC5 (SEQ ID NO:48) proteins. Identical amino acids are shaded, gaps are indicated by periods. Walker A and B motifs and the ABC transporter family signature sequence C are underlined and ~~labelled~~ labeled with respective letters. Amino acid sequences were aligned with the PILEUP program in the Genetics Computer Group Package. Potential transmembrane spanning segments are given in bold type.

Please delete paragraph [0112] and replace it with the following paragraph:

[0112] Figure 3 represents the expression profiling of the human ABCC12 gene by PCR on human Multiple Tissue cDNA (MTC®, Clontech). Each lane contains normalized, first-strand cDNA from 16 human tissues/cells. Lanes 1-66 thus represent cDNA from heart, brain, placenta, lung, liver, muscle, kidney, pancreas, spleen, thymus, testis, ovary, intestine, colon, leukocyte, and prostate, respectively. N represents the negative control ; M represent the marker lane (1kb Plus DNA Ladder). The following primer pairs amplified specific gene products : ABCC12 : forward 5'-GGT GAC AGA CAA GCG AGT TCA GAC AAT G-3' (SEQ ID NO: 49), reverse 5'-CTT TGC TCC TCT GGG CCA GTG-3' (SEQ ID NO: 50).

Please delete Table 1 on page 63, and replace it with the following Table:

Table 1 : Splice sites sequences and exon sizes of ABCC12

Exon	Size (bp)	Splice acceptor (SEQ ID NOS 51-78, respectively, in order of appearance)	Splice donor (SEQ ID NOS 79-107, respectively, in order of appearance)
1	119	Not determined	CCTGTGCAAG**gt**aagtc aga
2	156	ttgtctgc**ag**GTTAGCAC CC	ATGCCAAAAG**gt**accag gat
3	152	ttcatcac**ag**ATTTCGAG TC	GGGCCGGTGA**gt**gcgg cagc
4	230	ttacagac**ag**TTCTCATT CA	TGTTGGCGAG**gt**aagct ggc
5	174	ttctttcc**ag**GTGCTCAAT A	ACCCGTCCAG**gt**aacgg cat
6	148	ttgatttc**ag**ATGTTTATG G	ACTATCCAAG**gt**aggac aag
7	149	tattttgc**ag**ATATAAGAA G	CGCACCCGTG**gt**aaga gctg
8	108	tgttcttc**ag**GCATTTAGT G	GAGAATGAAG**gt**ataact aa
9	279	ttaatctt**ag**AAAATTCTC A	GGTGAGAAAG**gt**gggtgt gt
10	72	tctctggc**ag**GGGAAGAT CT	CCTAGGACAG**gt**aagct gtg
11	125	gttgttcc**ag**ATGCAGCT GC	ATCACCAAAG**gt**aatatta a
12	73	gcaccaac**ag**GTATCAG CAC	CCTGACTGAG**gt**gagcg ggg
13	204	ctgtccac**ag**ATTGGGG AGC	CCAGCTACAG**gt**gatgg gac
14	135	acttctgc**ag**TTCTTAGA GT	GCAGTTCAAG**gt**aactca ca
15	76 or 85	ttgtctcc**ag**GATCCTGA AC	GAAGATGCTG**gt**ataatc gg or GGTATAATCG**gt**tagaat

			cc
16	72	ctcaccct**ag**TTTTGGCT CC	GACACAAAAG**gt**atttacc a
17	90	gtctccac**ag**TTCCTGAG CA	GCTTCTGGAG**gt**tcagta ta
18	104	cctcttgc**ag**GGTACCTC CT	GGGCTCACGG**gt**gagttt cc
19	198	ttctccaa**ag**ATGACCTG TG	GTTTGATAAG**gt**agggc cac
20	227	ttctccac**ag**ATCTTAAA GA	TTCTGTTACG**gt**aggccc at
21	138	tttcttcc**ag**CATTTTCCA C	GCATCACCTA**gt**gagtcc ca
22	157	aaaactcc**ag**TCACCTC CTC	CATCATCCAG**gt**aatgcc tg
23	90	ttttcaac**ag**CTGAGCGG AC	ATACATTTCG**gt**aagaa att
24	190	tcctttac**ag**ACCTGTGTT C	ACAGGTTCCG**gt**gagga caa
25	160	tggttccc**ag**GAAAGTCA TC	GTACAGTAAG**gt**agctgtt t
26	79	ttcattgc**ag**GTACAACTT G	GAGAGACAC**Agt**aggtct ct
27	114	tgttttgt**ag**ATAATGAAA C	TAATTCAAAG**gt**aagaa aac
28	165	tcctccac**ag**ATCATTCT CC	AAATGGGAAG**gt**atagg aag
29	87+3'UTR	tgactttc**ag**GTGATTGA GT	Not determined

Please delete paragraph [0474] and replace it with the following paragraph:

[0474] The β-galactosidase cDNA of the expression vector pCMV-β (Clontech, Palo Alto, CA, USA, Gene Bank Accession No. UO2451) may be deleted by digestion with the restriction endonuclease NotI and replaced with a multiple cloning site

containing, from the 5' end to the 3' end, the following sites: NotI, AscI, RsrII, AvrII, SwaI, and NotI, cloned at the region of the NotI restriction site. The sequence of this multiple cloning site is:

5'-CGGCCGCGGCGCGCCCGGACCGCCTAGGATTTAAATCGCGGCCCGCG-3'(SEQ ID NO: 108).

Please delete paragraph [0477] and replace it with the following paragraph:

[0477] 5'CTCTAGAATTCGGCCTCCGTGGCCGTTTAAACGCTAGCGCCCG GGCTTAATTAAGTCGACTCTAGAGC-3' (SEQ ID NO: 109), may be inserted at the level of the XbaI site (nucleotide at position 3329) of the vector pXCXII (McKinnon et al., 1982, Gene 19:33; McGrory et al., 1988, Virology, 163:614).